

Church News

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soon Hallie Knight and S. H. Blackburn were associated with him in the eldership. Then J. A. Canon and A. V. Patterson became elders of this church. S. H. Blackburn is now in Arizona and A. V. Patterson is in New Mexico, and the other three elders have passed to the Church triumphant. Noble Fisk was the first deacon, and then W. T. Mann and R. H. Patterson became deacons. There is not one resident member of the original membership.

On April 30, 1916, the Sterling City and Lacy Presbyterian churches were consolidated as the Sterling Presbyterian church. J. L. Glass and George H. McEntire are the elders of the church, and A. V. Braeuer is the deacon. The church has twenty-five resident members and thirteen non-resident members.

In October, 1916, the congregation decided to build a house of worship and, one year later, the first services were held in the new church, which is in a good location near the business part of town. The building is 30x48, bungalow style, with concrete foundation, brick-veneer siding to window sills, art glass windows and concrete walks and steps. The auditorium is remarkable for its fine acoustic qualities. Rev. J. W. Gregg, of Weinert, preacher-architect, kindly furnished the original plan for the building, which another preacher-architect changed and adapted to the present beautiful and convenient building. The lots, building and equipment cost over \$3,000.00, and the larger part of this amount was given by the two elders. Although the drouth still continues and war prevails, the religious and spiritual needs of men must be met even though it may require the enduring of hardships and the making of sacrifices.

The dedication services were held on the third Sunday of November. Rev. A. F. Cunningham, of San Angelo, preached the sermon, Rev. Malcom Black led in the prayer of dedication, and Rev. C. L. Ewing read the historical sketch and conducted the formal dedication. Rev. A. F. Cunningham remained and preached three days, delivered two lectures and assisted in organizing a Red Cross Auxiliary with ninety members.

This congregation is occupying and enjoying its first church home. Under the superintendency of Rev. Malcom Black, it has a live Sunday-school of over thirty members. One of the members is over eighty years of age, and has not missed a Sunday since the school was organized.

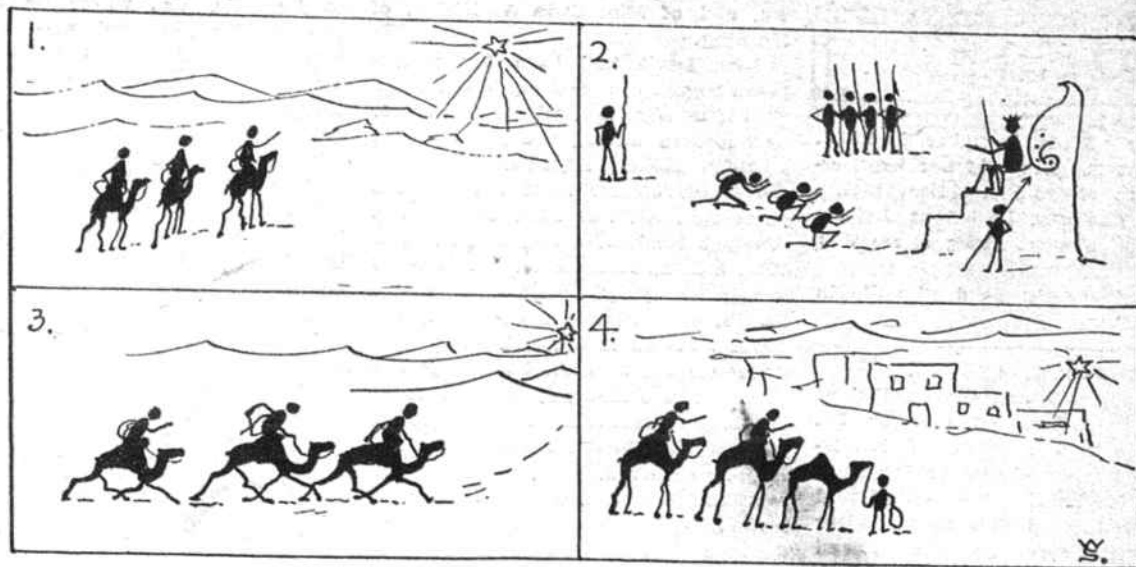
The Woman's Auxiliary is paying for the piano and doing other useful and aggressive work.

Rev. C. L. Ewing began his work as stated supply of the church in June, 1916.

Malcom Black.

WEST VIRGINIA.

Huntington: Sunday, December 2nd, was a memorable day in the history of the First church. After being out of their house of worship for six months, during which time the building had undergone extensive repairs, the congregation rededicated it to the worship of God at the morning service, and in the evening the Rev. J. Layton Mauze, D. D., was installed pastor. A fourteen page bulletin, containing the programs of the two services, together with other interesting information relative to the exercises, was handed to the worshippers as they entered the church. From this



From one of "The Little Jetts" pages. It is the Christmas story. The title is "A Wonderful Quest," and the Scripture references are as follows: No. 1—Matt. 2:1. No. 2—Matt. 2:7, 8. No. 3—Matt. 2:9. No. 4—Matt. 2:10. Get your Bible out and see how the pictures fit. This is only one out of 52 pages.

If ever there was an astonished author or "artist" it is Wade C. Smith. He never dreamed of his little book going beyond the confines of the Southern Presbyterian Church. In 12 months it has gotten well scattered all over the world. Orders are coming in from many foreign countries, including Japan, Korea, China, Mexico, Brazil, Guatemala, Cuba, England, France, Africa. An order from Cawnpore, India, came for two copies. A Melbourne, Australia, book concern asked this week for quotations on 500 copies. Not only is every state in the union now on the shipping list, but Canada is ordering The Little Jetts in lots of 3 to 100 copies. Every province in the Dominion is figuring out the lessons of the little pictures—from British Columbia, Alberta and Saskatchewan on the West, to Labrador and New Foundland on the East. One lady in South Carolina, several months ago, ordered the book at a venture; she was so pleased that she ordered six more copies to place among her friends; then she got a dozen. Her orders continued to come, until so far her purchases amount to 67 copies. The presses are now engaged in turning out the 12th thousand, and it looks as though sales have just begun.

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bulletin we culled the following data of the improvements:

"Stone steps, built of Indiana cut stone twenty-two feet wide, have been placed at the front entrance. Steps of the same material have been built before each of the two adjoining residences belonging to the church, and the entire terrace graded and sodded. Two additional doors have been cut for front entrances. The vestibule has been lengthened, the ceiling elevated eleven feet, a tile floor laid and handsome stairways placed at either end leading to the balcony. The auditorium and balcony have been extended twelve feet to the South, providing four hundred additional sittings. The entire ceiling and much of the walls are newly plastered and a new, attractive electric lighting system installed. Hardwood floors and all other woodwork have been put in throughout the main floor and the balcony. New pews have replaced the opera chairs in the balcony and several additional rows added to those on the main floor. A beautiful velvet carpet covers the main floor and balcony. The organ has been rebuilt, greatly enlarged, divided and chimes installed. The entire auditorium and all the many rooms in the chapel have been tastefully decorated. The auditorium measures, from the front of the vestibule to the rear of the choir recess, 100 feet by 50 feet; and seats, on the main floor, 700; in balcony, 450; in choir recess, 50; total, 1,200. The residence east of the church has been converted into Sunday-school rooms, the Beginners' Department occupying the first floor and the Primary Department the second floor. These extensive improvements cost something over \$25,000.00, all of which has been generously subscribed by our people. We rededicated the edifice to-day free of all encumbrance." The Rev. Walter W. Moore preached the dedicatory sermon on

the theme, "The Ever Growing Kingdom," to a congregation that taxed the seating capacity. Dr. Moore was at his best.

At the evening installation service, Dr. Moore presided and preached the sermon on "Saved to Serve," and propounded the constitutional questions. The Rev. Earnest Thompson, D. D., pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Charleston, gave the charge to the pastor. The Rev. David M. Sweet was to have charged the people, but at the last hour was prevented from being present, and his place was taken by Mr. J. M. Payne, ruling elder of the First Presbyterian church of Charleston.

J. Layton Mauze.

—Second Church: Rev. C. Randall Garrison, the newly elected pastor of the Second Presbyterian church, was installed pastor on Sunday afternoon, December 2nd. Rev. J. Layton Mauze, D. D., presided and preached the sermon, Rev. G. W. Wysor delivered the charge to the pastor, and Rev. John K. Hittner the charge to the people. Everything seems favorable, and with the hearty co-operation of the people, indications point to greater progress and a more complete development of this church.

Frankford: This church has undertaken the support of a pastor alone, and has secured the Rev. J. McC. Seig (a missionary from Africa) as a supply for one year. He entered upon the work in July. He seems encouraged with the work. The officers also think that we will be able to support the pastor and pay the benevolences in full, which means much for the Frankford congregation.

Montgomery: The ladies of this church have organized a Study Club, with Mrs. M. B. Labdin, the pastor's wife as their leader. They will study "The Task That Challenges." At the meeting of the Women's Missionary Society, Mrs. C. K. Cumming, a mis-

sionary on furlough from Japan, made a very instructive address on the work in that country. The semi-annual opening of the mite boxes at that time showed \$80 raised for the work of the society.

Rev. C. K. Cumming spoke to a large and interested congregation in the church Sunday night on conditions in Japan, showing how that country had advanced in civilization, though it still held to the old religions. The pastor of this church and his family have recently been heavily pounded by the congregation. Nothing was lacking to make it complete.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.

Rev. J. T. Lawson, from Cape Girardeau, Mo., to 2001 Broadway, Little Rock, Ark.

Rev. J. S. Foster, D. D., from Birmingham, Ala., to Anderson, S. C.

Rev. G. T. Storey, from Houston to Bay City, Texas.

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